

REMARKS

The instant REMARKS are filed in response to the Office Action dated November 3, 2004. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The official action indicates that the Applicants and the current Assignee (KRONOS) of the above-identified application are required to provide, under 37 C.F.R. 1.105, information that the Examiner has determined to be reasonably necessary to examine the instant application. Specifically, the official action indicates that KRONOS would have knowledge of any products or revisions that were developed by the original Assignee (SIMPLEX) that were similar to the claimed invention in the instant application. Accordingly, the Applicants and KRONOS are required to provide any known publications, brochures, manuals, and press releases describing SIMPLEX products or services that are related to the claimed invention described in the instant application.

In response to the Examiner's request for information, the Applicants and KRONOS enclose herewith the following information:

(1) Workforce Solutions - Q & A on eForce™ The Evolution of Better Workforce Management,

(http://www.simplexgrinnell.com/workforcesolutions/products/question_answer.jsp), © 2004, pages 1-5,

(2) TIME & ATTENDANCE - Evolutionary power, flexibility and cost control, © 2000, pages 1-4, and

(3) FORECASTER - More detailed and accurate forecasts ensure improved customer service levels and better control of workforce costs, © 2000, pages 1-4.

The Applicants respectfully submit that this reply to the Examiner's request for information is made with candor and good faith, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56. In addition, the Applicants believe that the information listed above is within the scope of this requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.105. Accordingly, the Applicants acknowledge that the fee and certification requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 for the above-listed information is waived.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

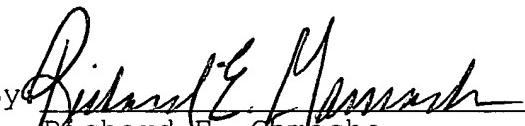
The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned Attorney to discuss any matter that would expedite allowance of

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the present application.

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